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1. APPRECIATE REFTEL COMMERCE GIVING HIGH PRIORITY TO PARTICIPATION IN LAGOS INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR BEING PLANNED FOR LATE 1976. ABILITY TO MOUNT AN EXHIBIT DEPENDS, OF COURSE, UPON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS. COMMERCE IS, HOWEVER, OPTIMISTIC THAT IN FY 1976 AND 1977 FUNDS WILL BE APPROVED FOR CONTINUED U.S. PARTICIPATION IN SELECTED INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIRS AND THAT MARKETING PROSPECTS IN NIGERIA WILL JUSTIFY USE OF SUCH FUNDS FOR AN EXHIBIT IN LAGOS FAIR. WE WISH TO BEGIN PLANNING NOW ON THAT BASIS.

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2. CONSEQUENTLY, NEED DETAILS ON SITE CHARACTERISTICS,

RENTAL COSTS, TIMING, AND THEME RECOMMENDATION AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE. SUGGEST THAT MCGRATH AND FIEDLER CALL ON FAIR AUTHORITIES TO OBTAIN CURRENTLY AVAILABLE INFORMATION AN AND TO STRESS NEED FOR SUFFICIENT LEAD TIME FROM LAGOS FAIR PLANNING AUTHORITIES TO PERMIT POTENTIAL EXHIBITORS ADEQUATE PREPARATION TIME.

3. IN PREPARING PROMOTION/PRODUCT THEME RECOMMENDATION, POST MIGHT CONSIDER BEST AND ALTERNATE U.S. PRODUCTS/
SERVICE CATEGORIES WHICH WOULD COMPLIMENT OVERALL FAIR THEME AS ENVISIONED BY NIGERIAN FAIR PLANNING AUTHORITIES. FOR INSTANCE, THE THEME MIGHT INCORPORATE ONE OR MORE OF THE TARGET INDUSTRIES SCHEDULED FOR PRIMARY PROMOTION EMPHASIS IN LATE 1976, E.G.: AVIONICS AND GROUND SUPPORT SUGGESTING A TRANSPORTATION THEME, FOOD PROCESSING AND PACKAGING-AGRIBUSINESS THEME, BUSINESS AND COMPUTER RELATED EQUIPMENT, ENERGY, COMMUNICATIONS, HEALTH CARE, AND/OR BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION. KISSINGER

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